

In July 2021,

one year and four months into the misery of the global lockdown, the FAA had to divert air traffic over a section of the country stretching from the West Coast to Michigan to make room for the fleets of private jets converging on Sun Valley, Idaho, for the thirty-eighth annual meeting of the world's most exclusive conclave, sometimes called the Summer Camp for Billionaires, or "Mogul Fest." The 2021 meeting included Bill Gates, Apple CEO Tim Cook, Mark Zuckerberg, Amazon founder Jeff Bezos, Mike Bloomberg, Google founders Larry Page and Sergey Brin, Warren Buffett, Netflix CEO Reed Hastings, Disney Chair Robert Iger, Viacom/CBS Chair Shari Redstone, and one of the lockdown's most influential propagandists, Anderson Cooper, who has acknowledged that he responded to a CIA recruitment poster while attending Yale and worked an indeterminate number of summers thereafter in Langley. All the discussions at the event were, as usual, closely guarded, but participants acknowledged conversing about cryptocurrencies and artificial intelligence. This year, the robber barons hosted, as their guest of honor, CIA Director William Joseph Burns, and by all reports, the mood among the titans was bullish. By that time, US billionaires were well on their way to increasing their collective wealth by \$3.8 trillion in a single year, while obliterating the American middle class, which permanently lost about the same amount. These tech and media magnates, who had magnified their billions from the lockdown, were the same men who had

used their media and social media platforms to censor complaints about the lockdown, even as it filled their coffers past the bursting point. Each of these fat cats had helped grease the skids for the calamitous collapse of America's exemplary constitutional democracy. The Bill of Rights was, by then, indefinitely suspended. The participants of that event had privatized the public square, and then obstructed the free flow of information and open debate—the oxygen and sunlight of democracy. Their censorship allowed their allies in the technocracy to effect the most extraordinary curtailment of American constitutional rights in history: closing churches across the country, shuttering a million businesses without due process or just compensation, suspending jury trials for corporate malefactors, passing regulations without constitutionally guaranteed transparency public hearings or comment, violating privacy through warrantless searches, and track-and-trace surveillance and abolishing the rights of assembly and association. After twenty years of modeling exercises, the CIA—working with medical technocrats like Anthony Fauci and billionaire Internet tycoons— had pulled off the ultimate coup d'état: some 250 years after America's historic revolt against entrenched oligarchy and authoritarian rule, the American experiment with self-government was over. The oligarchy was restored, and these gentlemen and their spymasters had equipped the rising technocracy with new tools of control unimaginable to King George or to any other tyrant in history.